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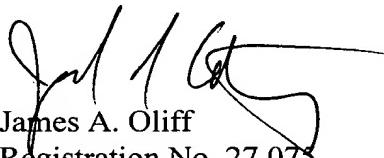
-- 7. The spread illuminating apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said light guiding member is provided with a means for increasing reflection which improves light reflectance.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending. Claim 5 has been amended herein to eliminate multiple dependencies.

The attached Appendix includes marked up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(ii)).

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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim:

Claims 6 and 7 are added.

5. The spread illuminating apparatus as claimed in ~~any one of~~ claims 1 to 3,
wherein said light guiding member is provided with a means for increasing reflection which
improves light reflectance.

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